

The Global Legal Environment and You

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Introduction

- Overview
- Foreign Law
- Comparative and International Law



Definitions

- **Foreign Law:** the domestic law of any country other than the United States.
- **Comparative Law:** The study of similarities and differences between the laws of two or more countries, or between two or more legal systems.
- **International Law:** Encompasses two different areas
 - **Public International Law** governs the relations between national states.
 - **Private International Law** are the rules and practices which governs controversies involving the law of more than one state and how foreign judgments are enforced.

* * Definitions taken from *How to Find the Law*, 9th ed., by Morris L. Cohen, Robert C. Berring and Kent C. Olson



Foreign Law Research

- **Getting Started**

- **What type of legal system is in place?**
 - Civil law or common law
- **Basic Reference Interview Questions**
 - Are you looking for a specific code section, a constitution, general information or overview
 - Complete text or just a summary
 - Dates
 - Etc.



Foreign Law Research

- **Guides and Overviews**

- Foreign Law: Current Sources of Codes and Basic Legislation in Jurisdictions of the World, Thomas H. Reynolds & Arturo A. Flores, AALL Publication Series, no. 33, Littleton, CO: Fred B. Rothman & CO., 1989 - . Available online at: <http://www.foreignlawguide.com/>.
- Modern Legal Systems Cyclopedia, Ed. Kenneth Robert Redden, Buffalo, NY: William S. Hein & Co., 1984 - .
- Introduction to Foreign Legal Systems, Ed. Richard A. Danner & Marie-Louise H. Bernal, Sponsored by the American Association of Law Libraries, New York, NY: Oceana, 1994.
- Legal Systems of the World: a Political, Social, and Cultural Encyclopedia, Ed. Herbert M. Kritzer, Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO, 2002.
- World Legal Systems, University of Ottawa, Faculty of Law <http://www.droitcivil.uottawa.ca/world-legal-systems/eng-monde.php>.



Foreign Law Research

- World Legal Systems



Foreign Law Research

- **Additional Resources**

- Accidental Tourist on the New Frontier: An Introductory Guide to Global Legal Research, Eds. Jeanne Rehberg & Radu D. Popa, Littleton, CO: F.B. Rothman, 1998.
- Germain's Transnational Law Research: A Guide for Attorneys, Claire M. Germain, Ardsley-on-Hudson, NY: Transnational Juris Publications, Inc., 1991– .
- International Law Digest, Martindale-Hubbell Law Directory, Summit, NJ: Martindale-Hubbell, 1993– .
- Szladits' Bibliogprahy on Foreign and Comparative Law, Ed. Vratislav Pechota, New York, NY: Parker School of Foreign and Comparative Law, Columbia University: Oceana, 1990– .



Foreign Law Research

- **Compilations**

- Constitutions of the Countries of the World: A Series of Updated Texts, Constitutional Chronologies and Annotated Bibliographies, Eds. A.P. Blaustein and G.H. Flanz, Dobbs Ferry, NY: Oceana Publications, 1971- . Available online at: <http://www.oceanalaw.com>.
- Commercial Laws of the World, Ormond Beach, FL: Foreign Tax Law Publisher, Inc., 1976- . Available online at: <http://ria.thomson.com/foreignlaw/>.
- Comparative Environmental Law and Regulation, Ed. Nicholas A. Robinson, Dobbs Ferry, NY: Oceana Publications, 1996- .
- Copyright Laws and Treaties of the World, Paris, United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization and the Bureau of National Affairs, Washington, 1956- .



Foreign Law Research

- **Compilations**

- International Law Reports, London: Butterworth & Co., 1956- .
- International Legal Materials, DC: American Society of International Law, 1962- . Available online at: Lexis, Westlaw, and Hein Online.
- Tax Laws of the World, Ormond Beach, FL: Foreign Tax Law Association, 1964- . Available online at: <http://ria.thomson.com/foreignlaw/> .



Foreign Law Research

- **Country Specific Resources**

- Check Catalogs for specific publications

- Subject Searching Examples:

- Legal Research—Mexico

- Law—Mexico—Bibliography

- Investments, Foreign—Law and legislation—Mexico

- The Mexican legal system, Francisco A. Avalos, 2nd ed. Littleton, CO: F.B. Rothman, 2000.

- Doing Business and Investing in Mexico, Pricewaterhouse Coopers, New York: Pricewaterhouse Coopers LLP, 2001- .



Foreign Law Research

- **Country Specific Resources**

- **Check Country Guides**

- Foreign Law: Current Sources of Codes and Basic Legislation in Jurisdictions of the World, Thomas H. Reynolds & Arturo A. Flores, AALL Publication Series, no. 33, Littleton, CO: Fred B. Rothman & CO., 1989 - . Available online at: <http://www.foreignlawguide.com/>.
- FLARE – Foreign Legal Research <http://ials.sas.ac.uk/flare/flare.htm>
- International Legal Research, LLRX.com <http://www.llrx.com/category/1050>
- Collections of Guides, Foreign Laws on the Web, Georgetown University School of Law Library <http://www.ll.georgetown.edu/intl/research.htm>

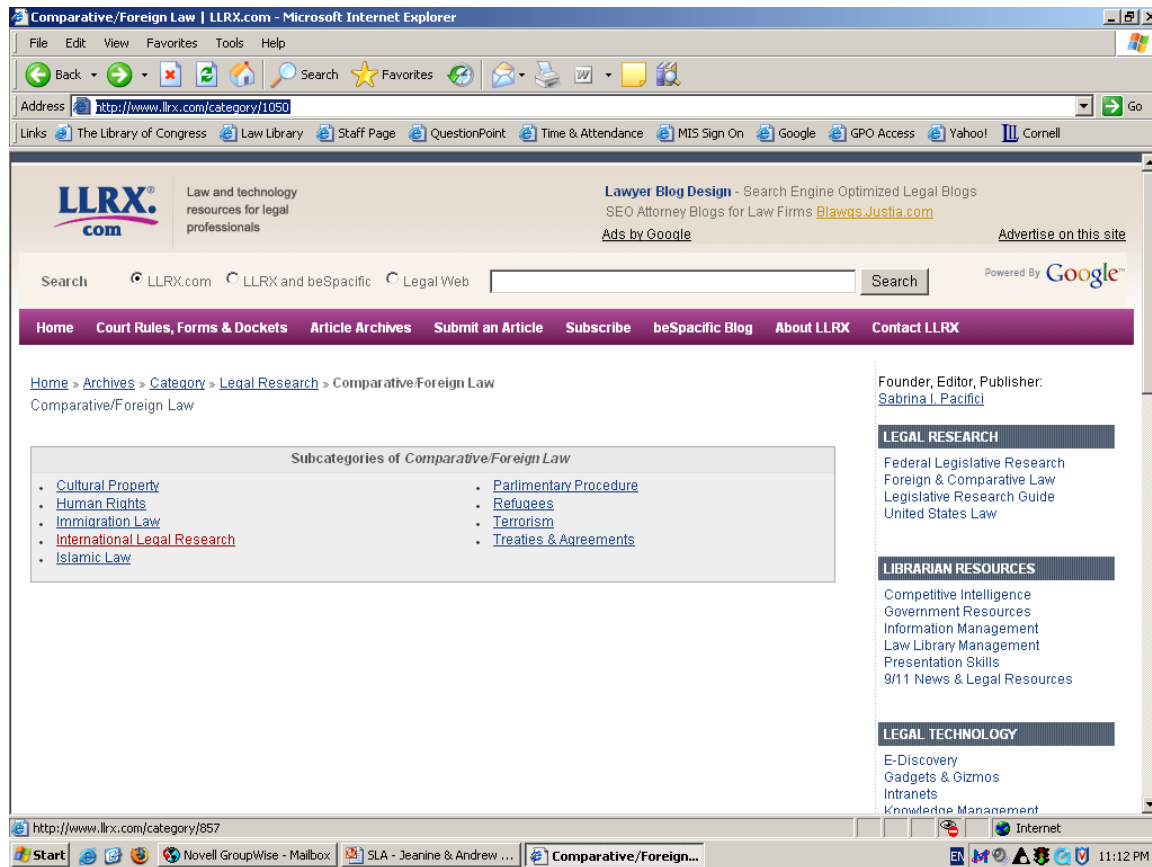
Check Subject Compilations

- Example: Commercial Laws of the World, Book 15 - Mexico



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- International Legal Research, LLRX.com



Finding Australian Legislation

As well as the official versions of legislation, published on behalf of the various governments, the several commercial publishers (listed below) market a variety of unofficial versions, in print and e-based. These may be "raw" collections, for example the income tax and corporations legislation is typically reprinted every six months by two of the main commercial publishers. Or they may be kept up to date in value-added collections - of which loose-leaf services are the usual example. There is at least one of these on most Australian legal topics. Typically they contain all of the relevant legislation, with commentary and case annotations.

In the past, an Australian law librarian would have typically started research on a given Act by going to the reprint collection in his or her library, noting the date of the reprint and then checking for further amendments since that date, however this has now largely given way to checking legislation via one of the government web sites or AustLII. There are two commercially published annotation services for Commonwealth legislation (*Commonwealth Statutes & Annotations* (Thomson) and *Federal Statutes Annotations* (LexisNexis). Each of the states has at least one such service, some more comprehensive than others. Noting up information for legislation from all Australian jurisdictions is also included in two major commercial updating services primarily designed to provide current case digests, but which contain a wealth of other information - *Australian Current Law* (LexisNexis) and the *Australian Legal Monthly Digest* (Thomson). Both are available in print and online.

No Australian legislation is currently available in LexisNexis or Westlaw. There is an Australian fee-based service, [Lawlex](#), which provides legislation as well as numerous valuable research aids, however for the non-Australian researcher the simplest method to locate Australian legislation, unless your library has *current* reprinted legislation (not usually the case), or an up-dated print or e-based loose-leaf in the relevant area, is to visit the [AustLII web site](#). AustLII now provides the full text of both sessional and reprinted legislation from all Australian jurisdictions. The Commonwealth Government's own long-established law database, [SCALEPlus](#), should also be checked (NB: SCALEPlus is being replaced by [ComLaw](#)). Although this service is the source for much of the Commonwealth material, as well as some Territory legislation, on AustLII, it may be more current in respect of those jurisdictions. The various Australian jurisdictions may be searched individually through AustLII, or in total. If a required Act or Regulation cannot be found on the AustLII site, check the web site of the relevant Parliament which may be more up-to-date for very recent legislation. A list of the various parliament web sites can be found at that of the [Australian Parliament](#).

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Courts and Judgments

The story of the development of Australian law is complicated by the involvement of the Judicial Committee of the Privy Council, sitting in London. The Privy Council was for many years an ultimate court of appeal for Australia as it was, and still is, for some other Commonwealth jurisdictions - although not for England itself. The Judicial Committee itself is not an English court and its members have comprised judges from a number of Commonwealth countries, including Australia. Most of its members, however, have been English judges and the Privy Council has always applied English law. Although the full story is too detailed to be explained adequately here, it can briefly be stated that appeals to the Privy Council were permanently terminated after negotiations that resulted in the passing of Federal and State Australia Acts in the 1980s. The Federal Government had earlier passed legislation to abolish appeals



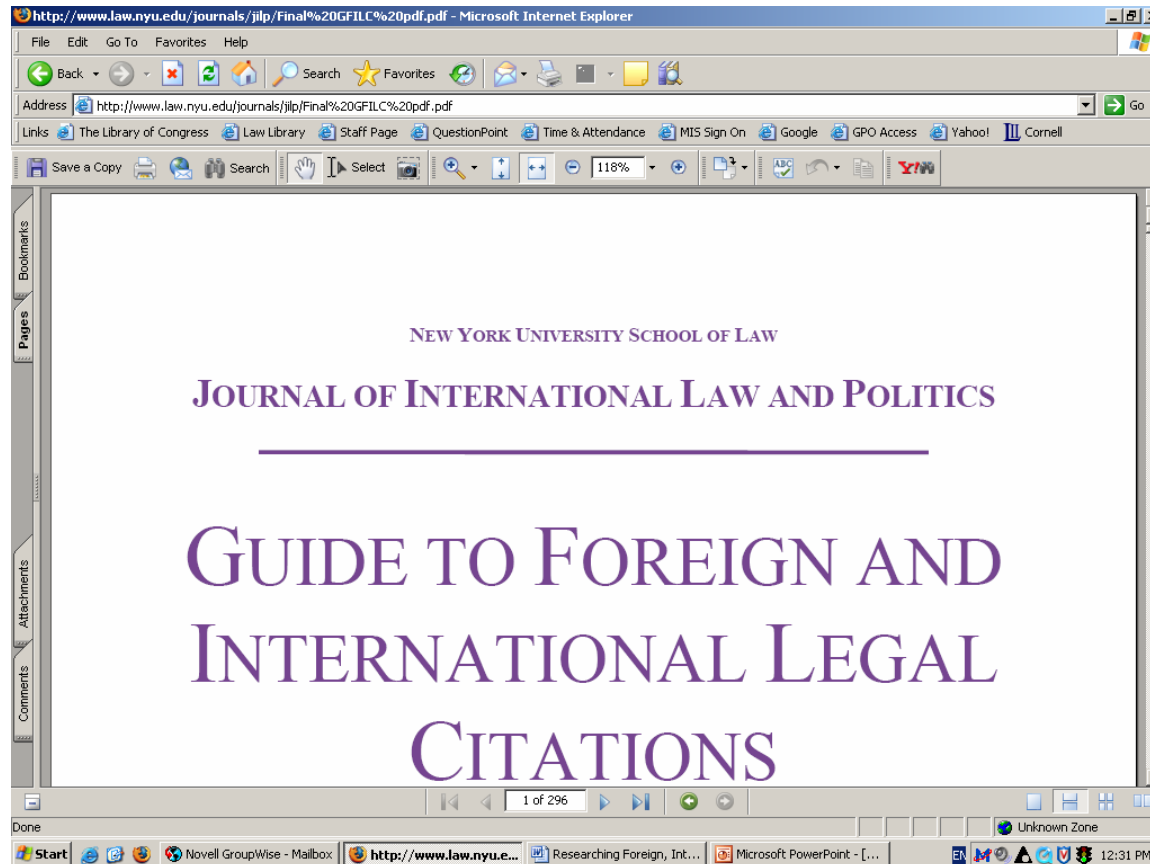
Foreign Law Research

- **Working with Specific Citations**
 - **Legal Abbreviations**
 - Bieber's Dictionary of Legal Abbreviations: a Reference Guide for Attorneys, Legal Secretaries, Paralegals, and Law Students, Mary Miles Prince, 5th ed. Buffalo, NY: W.S. Hein, 2001.
 - The Bluebook: a Uniform System of Citation, 18th ed., Cambridge, MA: Harvard Law Review Association, 2005. (see Rule 20 and Table 2)
 - Index to Legal Citations and Abbreviations, Donald Raistrick, 2nd ed., London; New York: Bowker-Saur, 1993.
 - Guide to Foreign and International Legal Citations, 1st ed., Journal of International Law and Politics, New York, N.Y.: New York University, 2006. LC CALL NO. KF89 .G85 2006
< <http://www.law.nyu.edu/journals/jilp/Final%20GFILC%20pdf.pdf> >
 - Noble's Revised International Guide to the Law Reports, Scott Noble, 1998 Ed., Etobicoke, Ont.: Nicol Island Pub., 1998.
 - World Dictionary of Legal Abbreviations, Eds. Igor I. Kavass and Mary Miles Prince, Buffalo, NY: W.S. Hein, 1991- .



Foreign Law Research

- **Guide to Foreign and International Legal Citations, NYU School of Law**



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2.0 Legislation

2.1 Statutes, Laws, and Decrees

Cite statutes and decrees by the law number, the name of the reporter, the volume number, and the page number:

Ley No. 23098, A.D.L.A., XLIV-D, 3733.

The official gazette, Boletín Oficial (B.O.), publishes laws and decrees. Citations should include date and page in the B.O. if possible.

Reporters containing national law, resolutions of the Executive, and provincial legislation, respectively, are:

Anales de Legislación Argentina: A.D.L.A.

El Derecho – Legislación Argentina: E.D.L.A.

Anuario de Legislación de Jurisprudencia Argentina: A.L.J.A.

2.2 Codes

Cite codes by the number of the article followed by the abbreviated title of the code:

Art. 954, Cod. Civ.

Foreign Law Research

- **Periodicals - Indexes and Databases**
 - Index to Foreign Legal Periodicals, Berkeley, CA: University of California Press for the American Assoc. of Law Libraries, issued quarterly, 1960- . Electronic access available.
 - Hein Online, <http://www.heinonline.org> (see International and Non-U.S. Law Journals library)
 - Index to Legal Periodicals and Books, Bronx, NY: H.W. Wilson Co., 1994- . Electronic access available.
 - Current Law Index, Los Altos, CA: Information Access Corp, issued monthly, 1980- . Electronic access available.
 - Szladits' Bibliography on Foreign and Comparative Law, Ed. Vratislav Pechota, New York, NY: Parker School of Foreign and Comparative Law, Columbia University: Oceana, 1990- .



Foreign Law Research

- **Dictionaries**

- Dahl's Law Dictionary, (French-English; Spanish-English), Buffalo, New York: W.S. Hein.
- Elsevier's Legal Dictionary: in English, German, French, Dutch, and Spanish, compiled by D.C. van Hoof, D. Verbruggen, and C.H. Stoll, 1st ed., Amsterdam; New York: Elsevier, 2001.
- Faruqi's Law Dictionary: English-Arabic, 5th rev. ed. Beirut: Librairie du Liban, 2005.
- Legal Dictionary in Four Languages (Dutch, English, French, and German), Antwerpen: MAKLU, 1995.
- West's Law and Commercial Dictionary in Five Languages: Definitions of the Legal and Commercial Terms and Phrases of American, English and Civil Law Jurisdictions, St. Paul, MN: West Pub. Co., 1985.



Foreign Law Research

- **Web Resources (general):**

- Foreign Collections by Jurisdiction, NYU School of Law Library
http://www.law.nyu.edu/library/foreign_intl/country.html
- Foreign Law Translations, University of Texas Institute for Transnational Law
<http://www.utexas.edu/law/academics/centers/transnational/work/>
- Foreign Laws on the Web, Georgetown University School of Law Library
http://www.ll.georgetown.edu/foreign/find_laws.cfm#jurisdiction
- Guide to Law Online, Law Library of Congress
<http://www.loc.gov/law/guide>



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- Guide to Law Online



CONSTITUTION OF THE ARGENTINE NATION

PREAMBLE

We, the representatives of the people of the Argentine Nation, gathered in General Constituent Assembly by the will and election of the Provinces which compose it, in fulfillment of pre-existing pacts, in order to form a national union, guarantee justice, secure domestic peace, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves, to our posterity, and to all men of the world who wish to dwell on argentine soil: invoking the protection of God, source of all reason and justice: do ordain, decree, and establish this Constitution for the Argentine Nation.

FIRST PART

CHAPTER I DECLARATIONS, RIGHTS AND GUARANTEES

Section 1.- The Argentine Nation adopts the federal republican representative form of government, as this Constitution establishes.

Section 2.- The Federal Government supports the Roman Catholic Apostolic religion.

Section 3.- The authorities in charge of the Federal Government shall reside in the city to be declared Capital of the Republic by a special law of Congress, once settled the cession of the territory to be federalized by one or more provincial legislatures.

Section 4.- The Federal Government provides for the expenditures of the Nation with the funds of the National Treasury, composed of the proceeds of export and import duties, the sale or lease of lands owned by the Nation, the revenues of the Posts, other taxes equitably and proportionally levied on the population by the National Congress, and of whatever loans and credit transactions Congress may order in case of national emergencies or for enterprises of national interest.

Section 5.- Each province shall enact its own constitution under the republican, representative system, in accordance with the principles, declarations, and guarantees of the National Constitution, ensuring its administration of justice, municipal regime, and elementary education. Under these conditions, the Federal Government shall guarantee each province the full exercise of its institutions.

Section 6.- The Federal Government may intervene in the territory of the provinces in order to guarantee the republican form of government or to repel foreign invasions; and at the request of their constituted authorities, it may intervene to support or reestablish them, should they have been deposed by sedition or invasion from another province.

Section 7.- The public acts and judicial proceedings of one province are worthy of full faith in the others; and Congress may, by general laws, prescribe the manner in which such acts and proceedings shall be proved and the legal effects thereof.

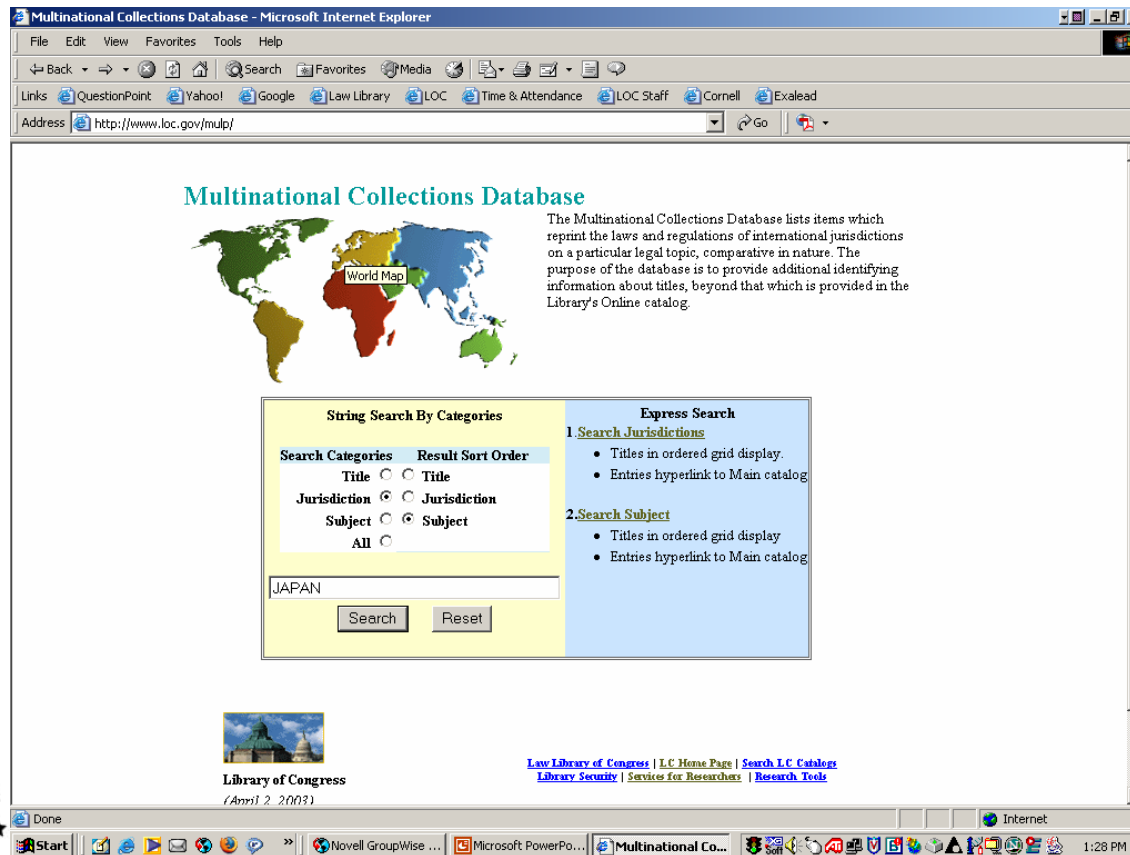
Foreign Law Research

- **Web Resources (general):**
 - Government Gazettes Online, University of Michigan
<http://www.lib.umich.edu/govdocs/gazettes/>
 - Global Legal Information Network, Law Library of Congress
<http://www.glin.gov>
 - Multinational Collections Database, Law Library of Congress
<http://www.loc.gov/mulp/>



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- **Multinational Collections Database**



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Digest of commercial laws of the world / N. Stephan Kinsella, Paul E....

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[Dobbs Ferry] N.Y. : Oceana Publications, [1998]-

4 v. (loose-leaf) : forms ; 27 cm.

ISBN: 0379010003

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-- Status: Not Charged

-- Supplements: release 2006, - 2 (2006 Mar.)



Internet

Foreign Law Research

- **Web Resources (subject):**

- Collection of National Copyright Laws, UNESCO
http://portal.unesco.org/culture/en/ev.php-URL_ID=14076&URL_DO=DO_TOPIC&URL_SECTION=201.html
- International Digest of Health Legislation, World Health Organization
<http://www.who.int/idhl>
- Natlex, International Labour Organization
<http://natlex.ilo.org>



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National Copyright Laws, UNESCO

The screenshot shows a web browser window titled "Collection of National Copyright Laws: UNESCO Culture Sector - Microsoft Internet Explorer". The address bar displays the URL: http://portal.unesco.org/culture/en/ev.php-URL_ID=14076&URL_DO=DO_TOPIC&URL_SECTION=201.html. The browser's links bar includes "The Library of Congress", "Law Library", "Staff Page", "QuestionPoint", "Time & Attendance", "MIS Sign On", "Google", "GPO Access", "Yahoo!", and "Cornell".

The website content features the UNESCO logo and the title "Collection of National Copyright Laws". A language selection dropdown is set to "Languages". The main heading is "Culture > Collection of National Copyright Laws". The text states: "This site endeavours to provide access to national copyright and related rights legislation of UNESCO Member States. The collection currently comprises about 100 laws and is constantly being updated and completed. To access the laws, you need first to click on the geographical zone you are interested in, then click on the country name. Please be advised that most Member States have provided us with official translations of their copyright and related rights legislation in only one of the official languages of UNESCO. Although the references of the laws are indicated in English, French and Spanish, the laws themselves, in PDF format, can most often be read in only one language. For more information and comments, please contact copyright.law@unesco.org."

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Copyright Act 1968

Act No. 63 of 1968 as amended

This compilation was prepared on 30 March 2007
taking into account amendments up to Act No. 28 of 2007

The text of any of those amendments not in force
on that date is appended in the Notes section

The operation of amendments that have been incorporated may be
affected by application provisions that are set out in the Notes section

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Foreign Law Research

- **Web Resources (subscription)**

- **Lexis and Westlaw**

- Coverage of foreign jurisdictions; consult individual jurisdictions for information on coverage and scope
 - Secondary materials including coverage of legal periodicals

- **Hein Online**

- Treaties and secondary materials including coverage of legal periodicals



Foreign Law Research

- **Country Overviews**

- The World Factbook, CIA

<https://www.cia.gov/library/publications/the-world-factbook/index.html>

- U.S. Department of State – Country Overviews (available through the Undersecretary for Political Affairs office – see regional bureaus for individual country information)

<http://www.state.gov/p/>

- Country Studies, Library of Congress

<http://lcweb2.loc.gov/frd/cs/cshome.html>

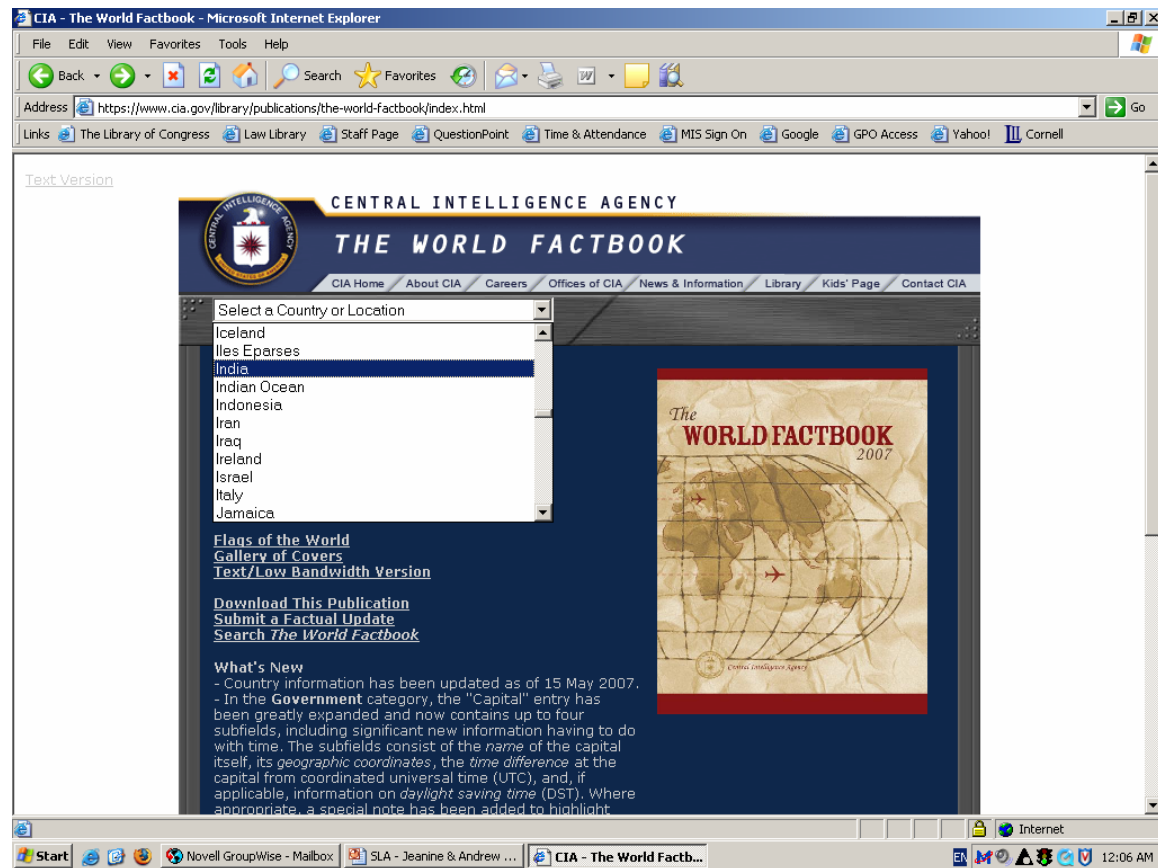
- Portals to the World, Library of Congress

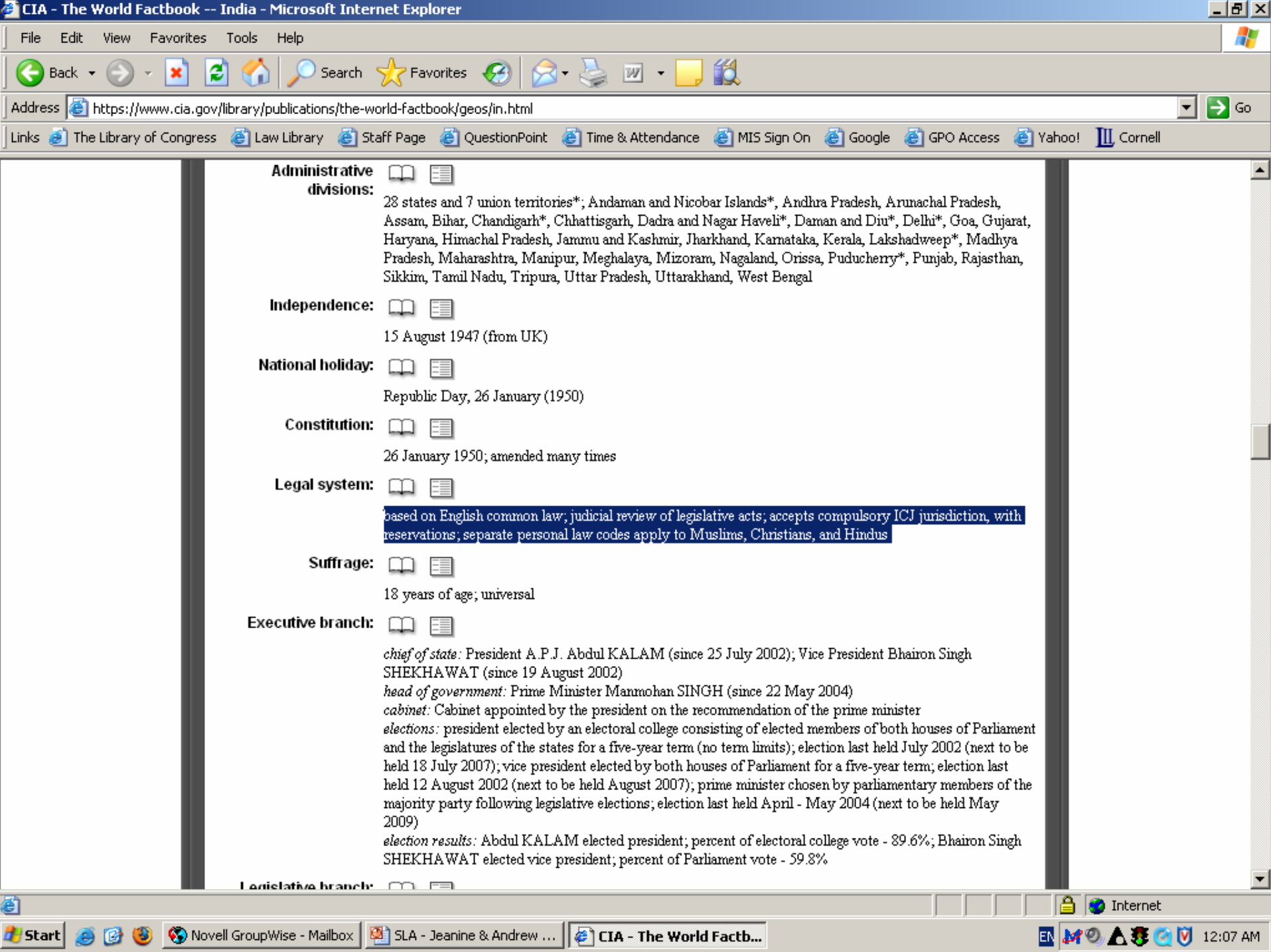
<http://www.loc.gov/rr/international/portals.html>



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- The World Factbook, CIA





Administrative divisions:

28 states and 7 union territories*; Andaman and Nicobar Islands*, Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chandigarh*, Chhattisgarh, Dadra and Nagar Haveli*, Daman and Diu*, Delhi*, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Lakshadweep*, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Orissa, Puducherry*, Punjab, Rajasthan, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand, West Bengal

Independence:

15 August 1947 (from UK)

National holiday:

Republic Day, 26 January (1950)

Constitution:

26 January 1950; amended many times

Legal system:

based on English common law; judicial review of legislative acts; accepts compulsory ICJ jurisdiction, with reservations; separate personal law codes apply to Muslims, Christians, and Hindus

Suffrage:

18 years of age; universal

Executive branch:

chief of state: President A.P.J. Abdul KALAM (since 25 July 2002); Vice President Bhairon Singh SHEKHAWAT (since 19 August 2002)
head of government: Prime Minister Manmohan SINGH (since 22 May 2004)
cabinet: Cabinet appointed by the president on the recommendation of the prime minister
elections: president elected by an electoral college consisting of elected members of both houses of Parliament and the legislatures of the states for a five-year term (no term limits); election last held July 2002 (next to be held 18 July 2007); vice president elected by both houses of Parliament for a five-year term; election last held 12 August 2002 (next to be held August 2007); prime minister chosen by parliamentary members of the majority party following legislative elections; election last held April - May 2004 (next to be held May 2009)
election results: Abdul KALAM elected president; percent of electoral college vote - 89.6%; Bhairon Singh SHEKHAWAT elected vice president; percent of Parliament vote - 59.8%

Legislative branch:

Comparative Law

- **Different types of legal systems**

- **Civil Law**

- Brief description
- Examples: Argentina, Brazil, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Lebanon, Russia, Spain, Sweden

- **Common Law**

- Brief description
- Examples: Australia, India, Ireland, New Zealand, U.K., U.S.

- **Mixed Jurisdiction**

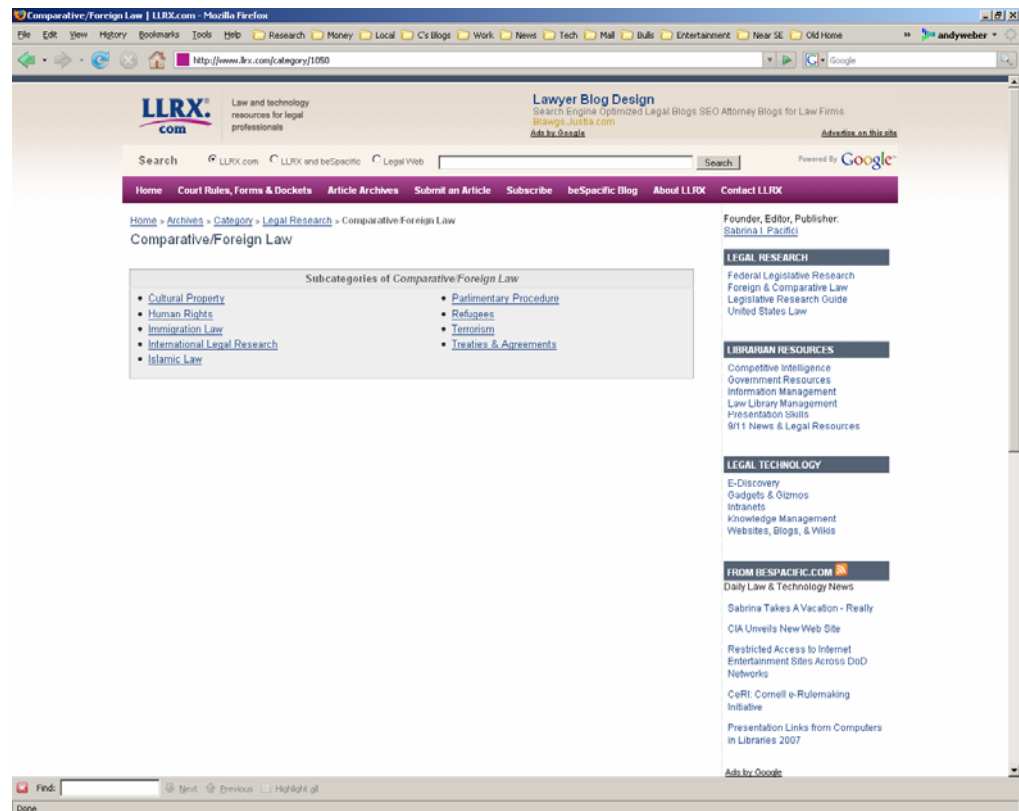
- Common & civil law
 - Examples: South Africa, Canada
- Religious & civil law
 - Example: Iran
- Religious & common law
 - Example: Pakistan



Comparative Law

Comparative and Foreign Law Guides, LLRX.com

<http://www.llrx.com/category/1050>



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Country or Area	Approx. Population ¹
Andorra	67,000
Cyprus (Republic)	610,000
Northern Cyprus	150,000

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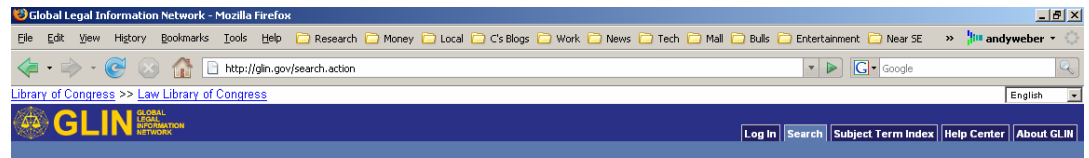
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Global Legal Information Network (GLIN), Law Library of Congress

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Jurisdiction Angola

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Published 11/05/2001; Portuguese

Instrument Class Law

Subject Terms Broadcasting; Cellular telephones; Communications; Concessions; Criminal law; Foreign investment; Licenses; Penalties; Public services; Rates and fees; Telephones

Summary ...11 May 2001 contains the Law on **Telecommunications**. Covers: objectives; definitions...Telecomunicacoes," the National **Telecommunications** System; public (English) use; basic **telecommunications** network; basic service and universal...

Title [Conselho Nacional de Comunicacao Social \(GLIN ID 83835\)](#)

Jurisdiction Angola

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Publication Diario da Republica

Published 20/04/2001; Portuguese

Instrument Class Decree

Subject Terms Administrative agencies; Communications; Government organization; Salaries and wages

Summary Decree 25/01 of 20 April 2001 approves the salaries of members of the "Conselho Nacional de Comunicacao Social," the National Council of Social Communication. (English) (3 provisions; pp. 250-251)

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Published	19/10/2006; Spanish	
Instrument Class	Resolution	
Subject Terms	Broadcasting; Communications; Culture; Development; Education	
Summary	...by the "Comite Federal de Radiodifusion" (Federal Broadcasting Committee). Specifies that the owners of additional broadcasting services empowered to	
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Title [Broadcasting \(GLIN ID 171623\)](#)

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Title [Management of Cable Broadcasting Act \(GLIN ID 127635\)](#)

Jurisdiction Korea, (South) Republic Of

Category Law

Publication Kwanbo

Published 06/12/1995; Korean

Instrument Class Law

Subject Terms Broadcasting; Cable television; Commerce and industry; Communications; Penalties

Summary Law 4999 of 95/12/06 amends the Management of Cable **Broadcasting** Act. Authorizes cable **broadcasting** business to be operated through **broadcasting** facilities (English) installed in the basic communication enterprise or the transmission...

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Publication	Kwanbo		
Publication Issue Number		Publication Date	06/12/1995
Publication Specifics			
Related Legal Resources	No related legal resources available		
Summary (English)	Law 4999 of 95/12/06 amends the Management of Cable Broadcasting Act. Authorizes cable broadcasting business to be operated through broadcasting facilities installed in the basic communication enterprise or the transmission network business; imposes heavier fines. (19 articles; pp.64-64)		
Full Texts	Korean Full Text 1 (197.17kb) (PDF Help)		
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Title [National Intelligence System \(GLIN ID 189734\)](#)

Jurisdiction Argentina

Category Law

Publication Boletin Oficial de la Republica Argentina

Published 29/01/2007; Spanish

Instrument Class Decree

Subject Terms Armed forces; Crime prevention; Criminal law; Espionage; Government organization; Human rights; Intelligence services; National defense; National security; Police; Research; Secrecy; Terrorism

Summary ...been bound to keep secret according to **Law 25520** (National Intelligence **Law**), are relieved from the said duty when...in judicial cases about violations to **human (English) rights** committed during the military government...countries – military strategic planning) of **Law 25520**. (4 articles; p.1-2)

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Summary (Spanish) Decreto 44 suscripto por el Presidente de la Nacion con fecha 26 de enero de 2007. Las personas que integren o hayan integrado organismos de inteligencia, las Fuerzas Armadas, las Fuerzas de Seguridad, las Fuerzas Policiales, o fueran o hayan sido funcionarios o personas alcanzadas por la obligacion de guardar secreto en los terminos de la Ley 25520 (Ley de Inteligencia Nacional), quedan relevados del mismo cuando son llamados por la justicia a prestar declaracion testimonial sobre hechos o informaciones a las que hubieran tenido acceso y que pudieran facilitar la obtencion de elementos de interes en las causas judiciales por las violaciones a los derechos humanos cometidas durante el gobierno militar entre los anos 1976 y 1983. En ningun caso quedan autorizados a revelar informacion de inteligencia militar conforme el articulo 2º, inciso 4 (inteligencia referida al conocimiento de las capacidades y debilidades del potencial militar de los paises – planeamiento estrategico militar) de la Ley 25520. (4 arts., p. 1-2)

Category Law
Publication Boletín Oficial de la Republica Argentina
Published 17/04/1998; Spanish
Instrument Class Law
Subject Terms Actions and defenses; Amnesty; Armed forces; Criminal courts; Criminal law; Criminal offenders; Criminal procedure; Human rights; Military justice; Military personnel; Police; Terrorism
Summary (Spanish) Ley 24952 sancionada el 25 de marzo de 1998 y promulgada el 15 de abril de 1998. Deroga las leyes 23492 (Extinción de acciones penales a las Fuerzas Armadas) y 23521 (Justicia Militar- Delimita obediencia debida - Dispone la extinción de la acción penal por presunta participación en cualquier grado en los delitos del artículo 10, cometidos por el personal militar o de las fuerzas de seguridad y policiales bajo control operacional de las fuerzas armadas de la Ley 23049 (Modificación del Código de Justicia Militar) y aquellos vinculados a la instauración de formas violentas de acción política hasta 10-12-1983). (3 arts., p.1)

Title [Justice \(GLIN ID 187220\)](#)
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Summary (English) Law 24952 enacted on 25 March 1998 and promulgated on 15 April 1998. Repeals Laws 23492 (extinction of criminal actions against...committed by military staff or staff of the security or police forces under the operational control of the Armed Forces, of Law 23049 (Amendment to Military Justice Code) and in those related to violent forms of political action until 10 December 1983...

Title [Prevention and Sanction of Acts of Terrorism \(GLIN ID 79553\)](#)
Jurisdiction Bolivia
Category Law
Publication Gaceta Oficial
Published 13/12/2001; Spanish
Instrument Class Law
Subject Terms Human rights; International relations; Offenses against the person; Terrorism; Treaties and agreements; Treaties and agreements, Multilateral
Summary (English) Law 2284 of 5 December 2001 approves and ratifies the convention to prevent and sanction the acts of **terrorism** in the form of crimes against persons and the related extortion when they have international impact, open for signature in Washington...

Title [Supreme Decree 21069 of 9/18/85 declares the state of siege in the entire nation \(GLIN ID 128458\)](#)
Jurisdiction Bolivia
Category Law
Publication Gaceta Oficial
Published 27/09/1985; Spanish
Instrument Class Supreme Decree
Subject Terms Constitutional law; Human rights; National security; State of siege; Terrorism
Summary (English) Supreme Decree 21069 of 9/18/85 declares the state of siege in the entire national territory. (1 pv)

Title [Decreto 3517 \(GLIN ID 68793\)](#)



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Publication	Gaceta Oficial		
Publication Issue Number	2366	Publication Date	13/12/2001
Publication Specifics			
Related Legal Resources	No related legal resources available		
Summary (English)	Law 2284 of 5 December 2001 approves and ratifies the convention to prevent and sanction the acts of terrorism in the form of crimes against persons and the related extortion when they have international impact, open for signature in Washington on 2 February 1971. Text not included. (1 article; p. 3)		
Full Texts	No full texts available		
Subject Terms	Human rights ; International relations ; Offenses against the person ; Terrorism ; Treaties and agreements ; Treaties and agreements, Multilateral		

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Title	Human rights		
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Instrument Class	Decree	Issuance Date	12/07/2005
Publication	Boletin Oficial de la Republica Argentina		
Publication Issue Number	30694	Publication Date	13/07/2005
Publication Specifics			
Related Legal Resources	No related legal resources available		
Summary (English)	<p>Decree 812 signed by the President of the Nation on 12 July 2005. Approval of the Minute of 4 March 2005 signed at Washington, United States of America, during the meeting held during the 122nd ordinary session of the Inter American Commission on Human Rights in the petition N°12.204 filed by non-governmental organizations "Memoria Activa", "Centro de Estudios Legales y Sociales (CELS)" and "Centro por la Justicia y el Derecho Internacional (CEJIL)" regarding the attack against the Argentine Israelite Mutual Aid Association (AMIA) where the responsibility of the National Government due to reported violations (Articles 4, 5, 8 and 25 of the Inter American Commission on Human Rights) is recognized for non- fulfillment of its duty of prevention and for serious concealment in its duty of proper investigation of illicit activities. Text of the minute is included. (3 articles; p. 1-3).</p> <p>There are summaries in other languages. View all available translations.</p>		
Full Texts	No full texts available		
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(Spanish)	Decreto 812, suscripto por el Presidente de la Nación, con fecha 12 de julio de 2005. Aprueba el Acta de fecha 4 de marzo de 2005 firmada en Washington, Estados Unidos de América, en la audiencia celebrada en el marco del 122 período ordinario de sesiones de la Comisión Interamericana de Derechos Humanos, en la petición N° 12.204 formulada por las organizaciones no gubernamentales Memoria Activa, Centro de Estudios Legales y Sociales (CELS) y Centro por la Justicia y el Derecho Internacional (CEJIL) en relación con el atentado perpetrado el 18 de julio de 1994 contra la Asociación Mutual Israelita Argentina (AMIA), en la que se reconoce la responsabilidad del Estado Nacional por las violaciones denunciadas (arts. 4º, 5º, 8º y 25 de la Comisión Americana de Derechos Humanos), por incumplimiento de la función de prevención y por encubrimiento grave y deliberado de la función de investigación adecuada del ilícito. Incluye Texto del Acta. (3 arts. p. 1-3)		
Full Texts	No full texts available		
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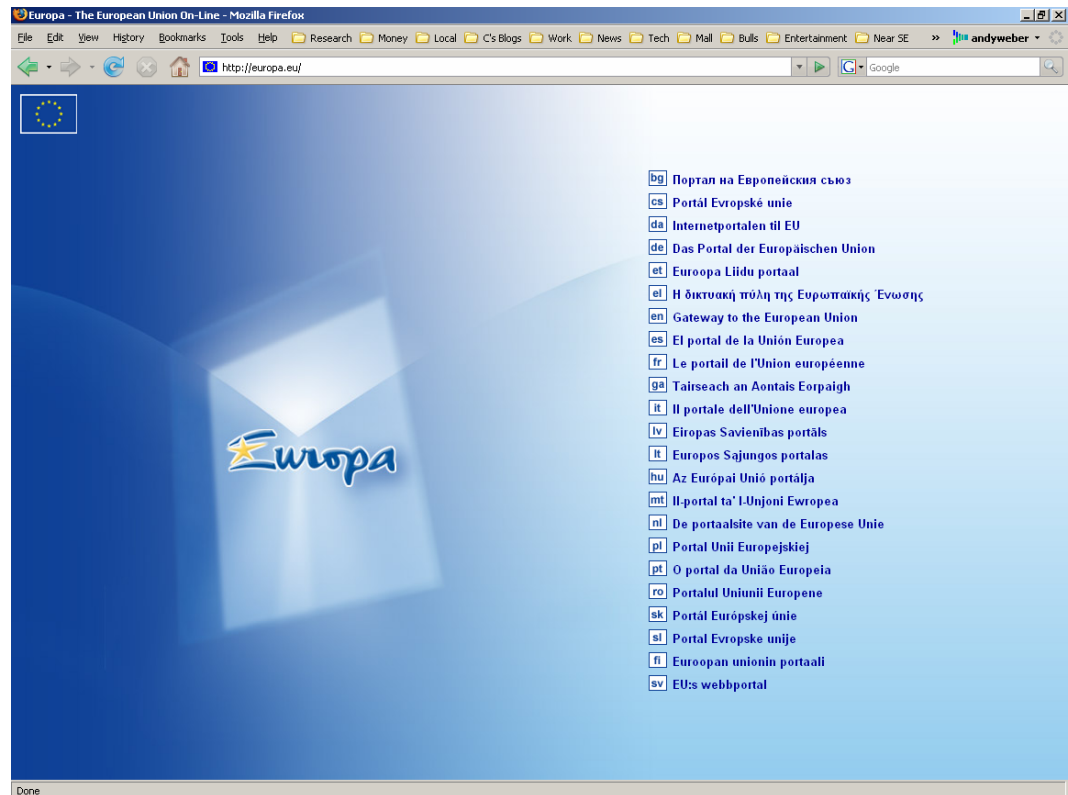
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Action plan for organic food and farming

This action plan is a product of the CAP reform launched in 2003 and represents a new stage in the promotion of organic farming in Europe. The Commission has adopted a pragmatic approach involving three groups of measures, the first step being to examine how current policies should be implemented or adjusted.

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Communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament of 10 June 2004 - "European Action Plan for Organic Food and Farming" [COM(2004) 415 - Not published in the Official Journal]

SUMMARY

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Organic farming is a valuable tool for promoting the environmentally friendly production of high-quality products. Stressing the advantages for the environment, rural development and animal welfare, the Commission sets out its general guidelines on organic farming.

The Commission recognises the dual role played by organic farming in society. It represents a means of production for foodstuffs and has created a niche market for these kinds of food products. It is beneficial for the whole community and especially for the environment.

Developing the market by informing consumers

The Commission believes that the development of organic farming must be based on the interplay of supply and demand. The emphasis must therefore be placed on the expectations of consumers, who need to be better informed about the principles, objectives and benefits of organic farming.

The Commission proposes launching an information and promotion campaign throughout the European Union to promote the Community logo, and other campaigns targeted on certain types of consumer. It also plans to set up an on-line database to allow comparison of Community standards with national and international standards.

In order to increase production capacity, fresh information is required and the collection of statistical data on the production of and the market for organic products must therefore be improved.

Making public support more effective

The Commission urges Member States to make full use of all the Community instruments and measures, such as national and regional action plans, available within their rural development programmes.



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Communication from the Commission to the Council and the European Parliament - European Action Plan for Organic Food and Farming {SEC(2004)739}

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With this Communication on Organic Food and Farming, the Commission intends to assess the situation and to lay down the basis for policy development in the coming years, thereby providing an overall strategic vision for organic farming's contribution to the common agricultural policy (CAP).

In designing a global policy concept for organic farming, the dual societal role of organic farming should be recognised.

1. Organic food marketing, responding to the concerns of some consumers, and should therefore be rewarded by the markets and hence be financed by the consumers. The development of organic farming will, in this respect, be governed by market rules.

2. Organic land management is known to deliver public goods, primarily environmental, but also rural development benefits and in certain respects may also result in improved animal welfare. Seen from this angle, the development of organic farming should be driven by society.

In order to ensure stable market development there needs to be a balance between supply and demand.

The Commission analysis has shown that more emphasis should be put on facilitating the development of the market. The current market share is on average about 2 % in EU-15. In order to increase this figure or even to maintain the current figure in the long run, more focus on consumer expectations is needed. Consumers need better information on the principles and objectives of organic farming as well as the positive impact on, for example, the environment. At the same time it is important to safeguard the integrity of the inspection system.

The internal trade of organic products is hampered by the many different national and private standards and their implementation, which can make it very complicated to sell organic products in other Member States. The developing of common objectives, development of a multilateral concept of equivalence, further harmonisation of inspection requirements and more emphasis on the EU logo would help to minimise these problems.

In order to facilitate the expansion of organic farming, but also to increase production capacity, new information and, above all, new technologies are required. It is therefore essential to ensure the necessary research into organic farming and processing methods. At the same time, the gathering of statistical information about production and the market should be improved.



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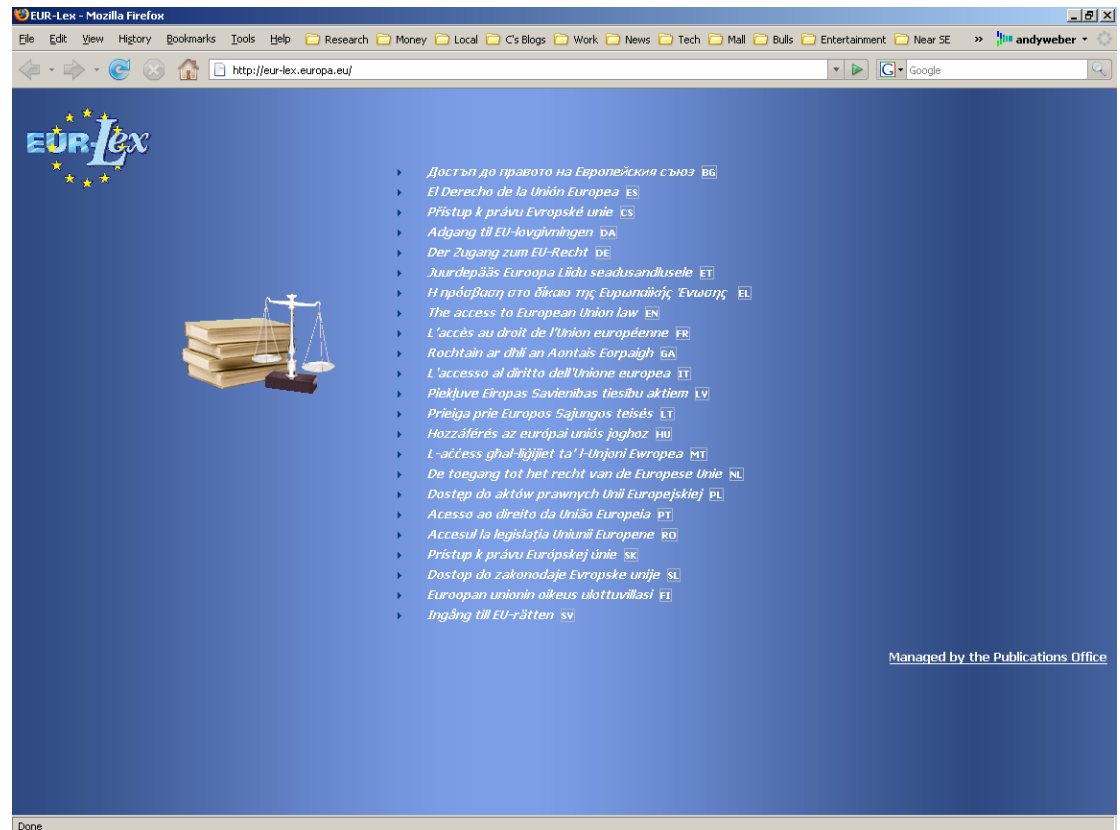
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THE COMMISSION OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES,

Having regard to the Treaty establishing the European Community,

Having regard to Council Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 of 24 June 1991 on organic production of agricultural products and indications referring thereto on agricultural products and foodstuffs [1], and in particular the second indent of Article 13 thereof,

Whereas:

(1) According to the principles of organic production at farm level as laid down in Annex I to Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91, livestock must be fed on organically produced feedingstuffs. However, a limited part of the feed formula of rations may comprise in-conversion feedingstuffs as defined in Article 4, point 24, of Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91.

(2) Producers in certain Member States are currently facing a deficiency of organic feed, due to below average harvests of organic crops, reinforced legal requirements regarding organic origin of feed and expanding markets for organic produce. In order to alleviate that deficiency, it is considered appropriate to provide, during a limited period, for an increase of the percentage of in-conversion feedingstuffs that may be included in the feed ration.

(3) A temporary increase of the allowed percentage of in-conversion feedingstuffs will also secure future supplies of organic feed and create incentives for farmers to convert to organic farming by improving the market for in-conversion fodder.

(4) Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 should therefore be amended accordingly.

(5) The measures provided for in this Regulation are in accordance with the opinion of the Committee set up by Article 14 of Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91,

HAS ADOPTED THIS REGULATION:

Article 1

Annex I to Regulation (EEC) No 2092/91 is amended in accordance with the Annex to this Regulation.

Article 2

This Regulation shall enter into force on the seventh day following its publication in the Official Journal of the European Union.

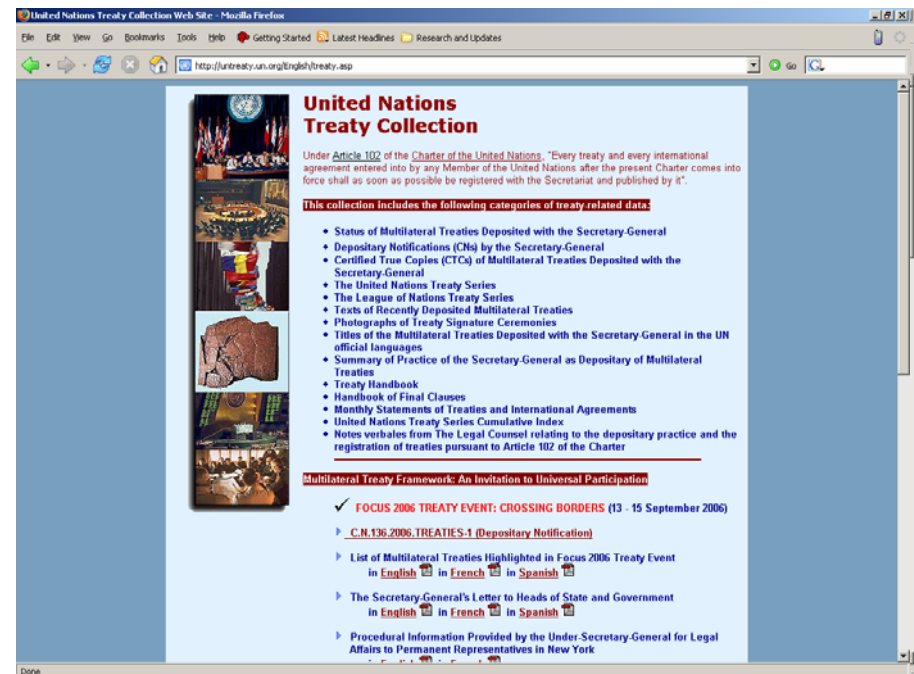
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Done at Brussels, 12 April 2007.

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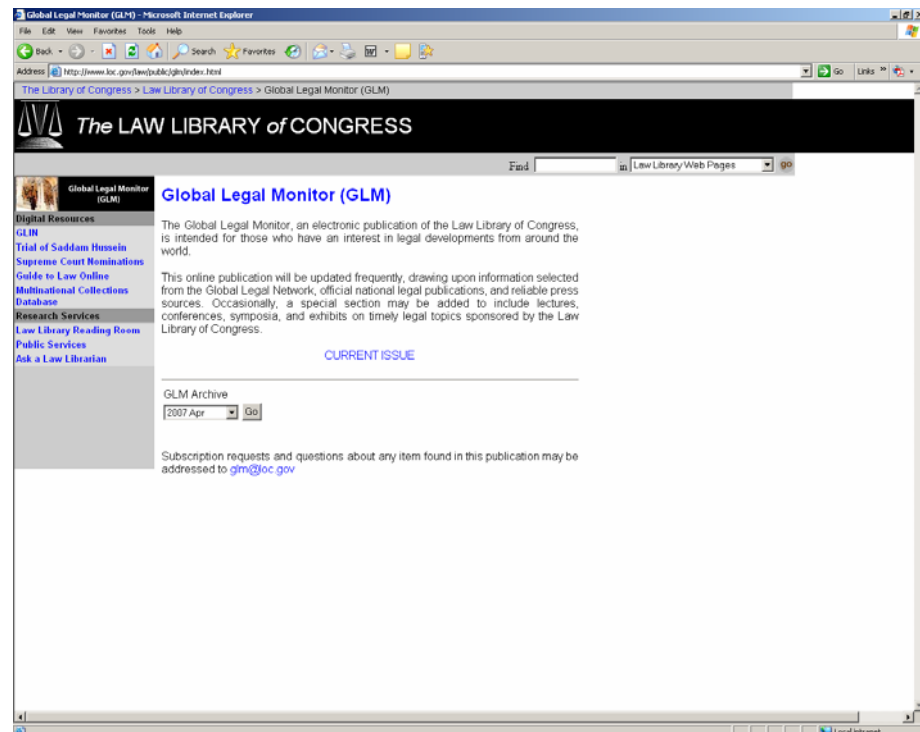
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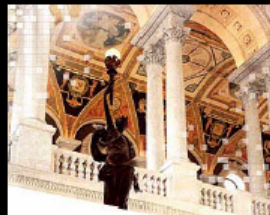


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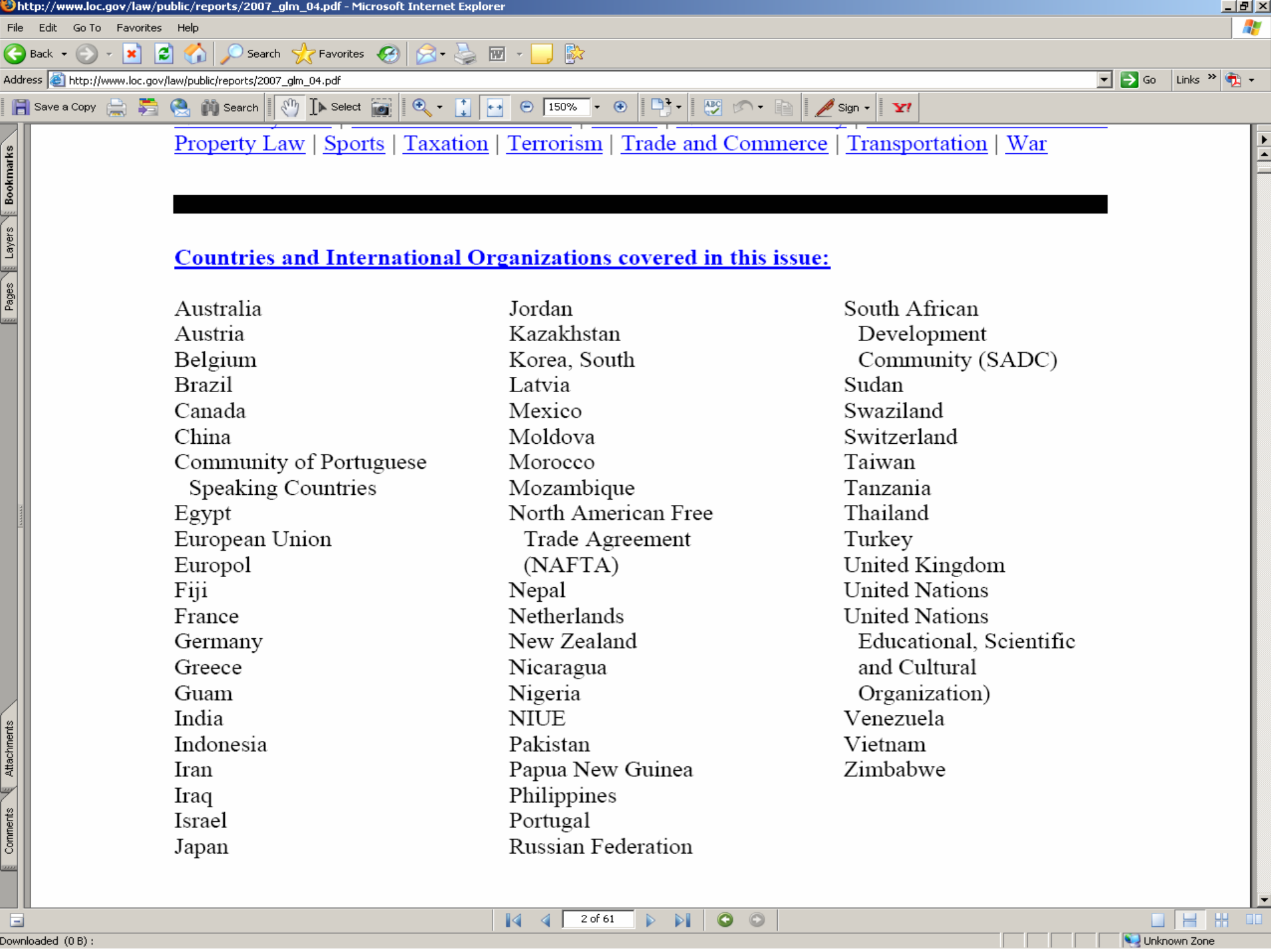
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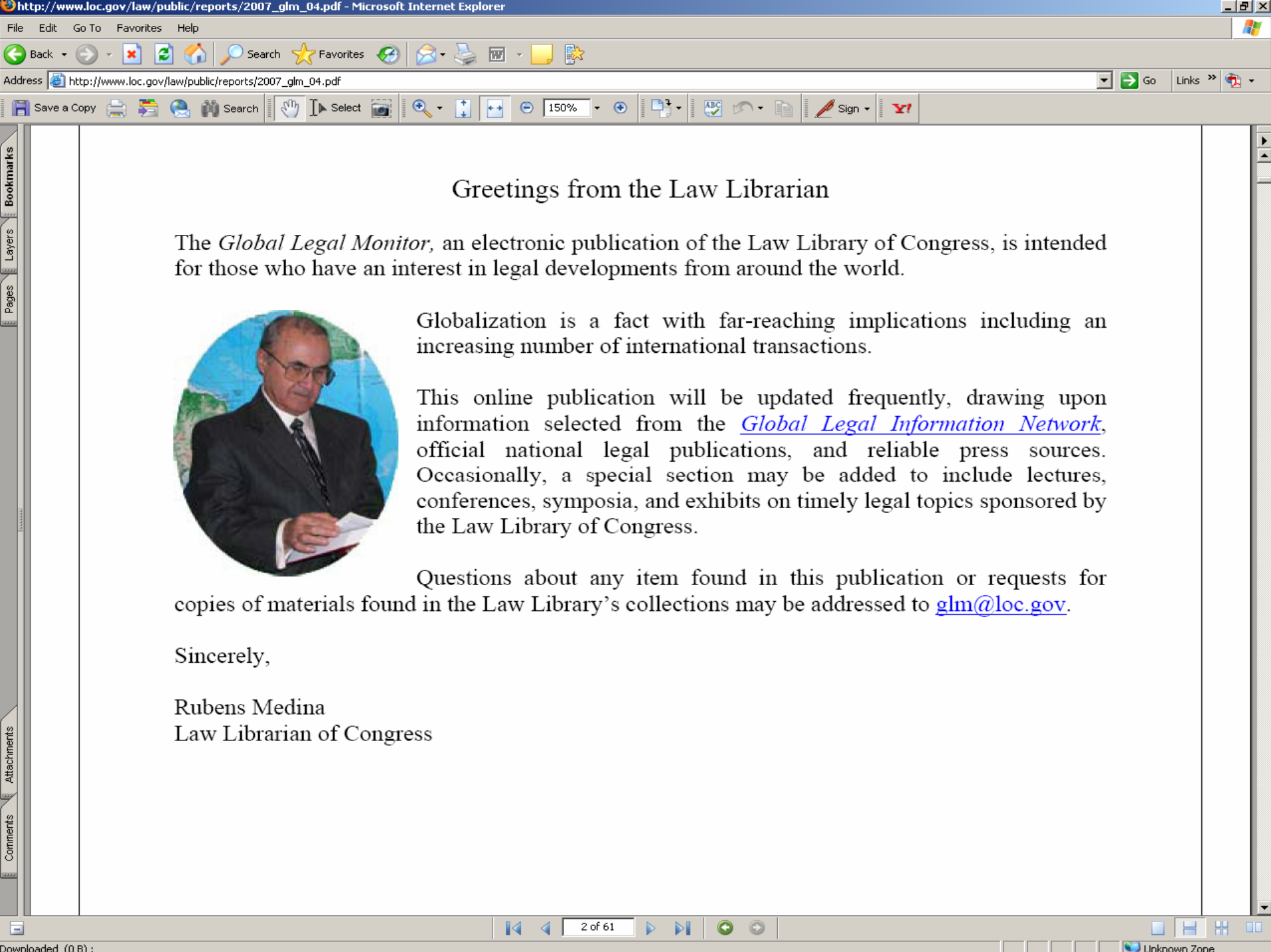
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(Stephen Clarke)

NEW ZEALAND – Anti-Spam Law

New Zealand's parliament has passed the Unsolicited Electronic Messages Act 2007, which prohibits unsolicited commercial electronic messages, requires all senders of commercial electronic messages to include both accurate sender information and a functional unsubscribe facility, and prevents the use of address-harvesting software or a harvested-address list in connection with the sending of unsolicited commercial electronic messages. Commercial electronic messages include emails, texts, and instant messages that market or promote goods, services, and other schemes of a commercial or dishonest nature. (Unsolicited Electronic Messages Act 2007 (NZ).)

(Lisa White)

SWAZILAND – Bill to De-Monopolize Telecom

The TIMES OF SWAZILAND reported on March 22, 2007, that the Swaziland Cabinet had passed legislation to de-monopolize the country's telecommunications industry. The legislation is currently awaiting parliamentary approval. If adopted, it would allow other mobile telephone

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